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Subject:—

Supply of Elcy. to Bhoomraddi College of Engineering and Technology.

Hubli

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[G. R. (T. P.) No. 2103, dated 22-6-22.]

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DOCKET SHEET

Subject:— Complaints about the Working of the Hubli Electricity Undertaking.

File no. LHB 1852.

Public Works DEPT.

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References:—

Date.	To whom sent.	Notes and instructions.

TELEGRAMS: "CHAMBER"

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No. H-6/871

HUBLI 17th Sept. 195 2.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, Bombay.

Sub:-Supply of electricity at Hubli.

Sir,

We are very sorry to bring to the notice of Government that though sufficient quantity of power i.e. 1500 K.Ws can be generated at the Government owned power station at Hubli, the actual peak load consumption is not more than 450 K.Ws and the Engineer in charge of the power house is not able to supply power to a large number of waiting consumers, particularly, the industrial consumers. The difficulties in the way of full utilisation of all the block of power which could be generated appear to be many and some of them are probably beyond the control of the authorities. We are, however, inclined to think that the high rate charged to industrial consumers has been discouraging consumption. It will be noted that, there are several industrial units which are working on diesel oil engines, obviously because, they find the power rates uneconomical. We find from the way things are moving in the running of the Hubli power house that there is a definite lack of active business-like approach in the management and from the fact that for more than 2 years full capacity of the power that can be generated without additional cost is not being utilised clearly indicates lack of efficiency. We have made representations to expedite the supply of the necessary materials but with absolutely no results and things do not appear to be moving at all. Anybody will agree that private enterprise would have shown definitely more imagination and imported more speed and efficiency in running the power house which is wholly an industry and has got to be run on purely commercial lines and principles.

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No. .....

HUBLI 17th Sept. 1952.

The Departmental management has throttled quick action and initiative and has been responsible for the wastage of about 1000 K.Ws which is going unutilised inspite of keen demand for power. Under the circumstances, we are obliged to suggest for the serious consideration of Government to transfer the management of the power house to the Electric Grid Department, pending the establishment of the Electricity Board.

In the meantime, we have to request Government to evolve a tariff schedule for the Bulk power industrial users, purely on commercial considerations, so that the consumers should not find it uneconomical to use power and that all the power which could be generated is fully utilised by the public. No industry can afford to pay the present exhorbitant rates and it would be helpful to compare the rates charged by the adjoining power houses at Belgaum and Dharwar which are also run on diesel engines but are managed by private enterprise. Slow consumption since the installation of new units proves the urgent need to revise the tariff and relate it, inversely, to the quantity of consumption. In other words, the rates should be lower in inverse proportion to the quantity of power consumed.

We trust that the above submission will be sympathetically considered by Government and necessary action taken as early as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Hony. Secretary.

C.W.Cs to:-

The Secretary to Government, Development Department, Bombay.

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Acknowledged under No. LHB 1852 K,
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Copy of the resolution passed in the special General Body meeting of the Karnatak Chamber of Commerce, held on 17-9-1952 under the presidentship of Shri.S.S.Yelamali

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1. It is noticed that there is considerable delay and reluctance on the part of the Deputy Engineer in charge of the Hubli Power House in meeting the demand of electricity, for power and lighting purposes both from small and big consumers. Though the installed capacity is 1500 KWs the actual peak load is not more than 450 K.Ws, inspite of heavy demand. The management, instead of giving accommodation to consumers of large blocks of power, has been stipulating unjust, unreasonable and impracticable conditions. There is, clearly, a lack of bussiness-like and practical approach in the working which has been causing great inconvenience to the consumers and has created dissatisfaction in the public. This General Body meeting of the Chamber, therefore, requests Government to make a thorough enquiry and take appropriate action to improve the working of the power house.

2. The rate schedule for industrial power is not calculated to increase the consumption of electricity, since the industries, on the present rates in force, find their cost of power uneconomic and burdensome. As more power could be generated without additional overhead costs, it is essential to reduce the rates appreciably, with a view to sustain and encourage industries and utilise the full installed capacity of the power station. Electricity is an essential article and it's distribution should, therefore, be governed by considerations of utility to the public and not merely of profit.

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No. H-6/879 HUBLI 18th Sept. 1911 19 52.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, Bombay.

Sub:-Working of the Hubli Power House.

Sir,

We have to forward herewith for Government's immediate consideration a copy of the resolution passed by the Chamber in it's meeting held on 17-9-1952.

Yours faithfully,

Hony. Secretary.

Enclosure: One.

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K.B. P.W.D.

Acknowledged under No. LHB 2552 K, dt. the 23-9-52.

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2. In his letter No. H-6/871, dt. the 17-4-52, the Hony. Secy., Karnatak Chamber of Commerce, complains about the high rates charged to the industrial consumers by the Hubli Electricity Undertaking and states that consumption of electricity is discouraged thereby.

3. His second complaint is that power at the Hubli Undertaking is not generated to the full capacity of the Power House though the same can be done without additional cost and in spite of the fact that there is a large number of requisitions on the waiting list. He, therefore, requests that the tariff schedule for the bulk power industrial consumers should be revised, ~~and~~ that power should be generated to the full capacity of the Power House so as to allow its full utilization by the public and that the Undertaking should be transferred to the Govt.

4. In the resolution passed in the special General Body meeting of the Karnatak Chamber of Commerce on the 17-4-52, (5 copies) a copy forwarded in

its letter No. H-6/879, dt. the 18/19-9-52, p.7.
its is also complained that the management of the Undertaking has been stipulating unjust, unreasonable and impracticable conditions for the supply of ~~power~~ energy to consumers of large blocks of power.

4. The Hubli Electricity Undertaking is at present under the management of the Elect. Engr. He may, therefore, be requested to investigate into the complaints and requests made by the Chamber and to submit a report to Govt.

5. The draft ~~letter~~ pp 11-12 put up may issue, if approved.

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(Below letters No. H-b/871, dt. the 17-9-52, and No. H-b/879, dt. the 19-9-52, from the Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and its accompaniment, regarding complaints about the working of the Hubli Electricity Undertaking).

No. ∠HB 1852 K.

P.W.D.

B.C. (Bombay No. 1),

1st Oct 52.

Forwarded to the Elect. Engr. to

first with a request to investigate into and submit a report on the complaints and requests made by ..

by the Karnataka Chamber of Commerce

2. The acknowledgements should please be returned along with the report.

29-9-52.

By order etc

A.S. to Govt

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(Please return this Memorandum)

No.LHB 1852 K.
Public Works Department,
Bombay Castle (Bombay No.1),
1st October 1952.

Subject:- Complaints about the working of the Hubli Electricity Undertaking.

Forwarded to the Electrical Engineer to Government with a request to investigate into and submit a report on the complaints and requests made by the Karnatak Chamber of Commerce.

2. The accompaniments should please be returned along with the report

By order of the Governor of Bombay,

Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Public Works Department.

).A.-Letters No.H-6/871, dated the 17th September 1952, and No. H-6/879, dated the 18/19th September 1952 and its accompaniment from the Karnatak Chamber of Commerce.

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ELECTRICAL ENGINEER TO GOVERNMENT
Inward No.
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File No.
P. W. D., BOMBAY

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KARNATAK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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(B. S.) MADRAS.

No. H-6/900

HUBLI 23rd Sept. 1952.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, Bombay.

Sub:- Supply of electricity to the --
B.V.Bhoomaraddi College of --
Engineering & Technology, Hubli.

Sir,

Please refer to our letter No: H-6/871 of 17-9-1952 and the Chamber's resolution as forwarded under our letter No: H-6/879 of 18/19-9-1952 regarding the working of the Hubli Power House. The B.V.Bhoomaraddi College of Engineering and Technology, Hubli requires about 40 K.Ws of electricity. The Deputy Engineer in charge of the Power House and also the Electrical Engineer to Government have informed the College that over head lines will have to be erected over a length of about one mile and that the College, therefore, should agree to pay the cost estimated roughly at Rs. 15,000/-/-. We have to point out that there are already lines upto the Commerce College and the Power House is bound to lay lines upto Municipal limit; consequently additional lines will have to be laid only for about a furlong. The College is Government aided and is not in a financial position to pay the cost of Rs. 15,000/-/- as demanded. In view of the large block of power required by the College, we have to request Government to reconsider the matter and arrange to issue electricity without any additional cost. The College is not an industry which could make profit by utilising power. Therefore, the conditions which are usually laid down for industries do not and should not apply to an educational institution which is maintained partly by Government and partly by public charity. This is a concrete instance to show how the management of the local Power House lacks that desire to utilise the electricity and puts forward unrealastic and unreasonable conditions to the

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Accompaniment to Rel. Engineers letter No. LHS II/11543 of 12-11-52

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the consumers.

We trust that Government will be pleased to look into the matter immediately and, issue suitable instructions to the authorities concerned.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Hony. Secretary.

C.W.Cs to:-

The Principal, The Bhoomaraddi College of Engineering & Technology, Hubli.

K.Dh. P.W.D.

Acknowledged under No. LHB 1852 K, dt. the 1-10-52.

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2. Please see the letter No. H-6/900, dt. the 23-9-52, from the Karnatak Chamber of Commerce, Hubli, regarding the supply of electricity to the Shoomaraddi College of Engineering and Technology, Hubli

3. The El. Sys. may, in the first instance, be requested to submit his remarks on the request made by the Chamber vide H. 13-'52.

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19 ∠HB 182/90617.

(Below Letter No. H-6/900, dt the 23-9-52, from the Honorary Secy, Karnatak Chamber of Commerce, Hubli, regarding supply of electricity to the S.V. Bhoomaraddi College of Engineering and Technology, Hubli)

No. ∠HB 182 K.

P.W.D.
B. C. (Bombay No. 1),
9th Oct., '52.

Forwarded to the Elect. Engr. to Govt. in continuation of S.E. of even no. dt

dtr. the 1-10-52, with a request to submit his remarks on the request made by the Karnataka Chamber of Commerce.

2. The accompaniment should please be returned along with the remarks.

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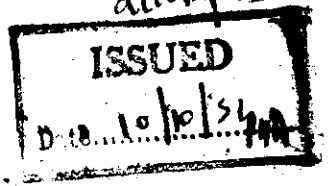
By order etc.

A. S. to Govt.



Copy of letter No.LRM.11/13974 dated the 7th March 1952, ffom the Electrical Enginser to Government, P.W.D., Bombay, to Messrs.Sundatta Cotton Seed Utilisation, Ltd., 10, Mount Pleasant Road, Malabar Hill, Bombay.

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Subject:- Supply of electricity to your proposed factory at Hubli.

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Reference: Your letter dated the 3rd March 1952.

The undersigned wishes to confirm the discussion he had with your representative on the 1st instant at his office, when Shri R.M.Prabhu, M.L.A., Parliamentary Secretary to Hon'ble Minister, P.W.D., was alsc present.

(1) It would be possible to give you electric supply from a sub-station to be suitably located, convenient to the undertaking with due regard to the possible future load in the area.

(2) This sub-station would be put up only after you guarantee to take supply from the Sub-station to a minimum annual consumption of 200,000 units and you deposit with this office a sum of Rs.15,000/- only against the guarantee of consumption stipulated above. The cost of the sub-station and the high tension line leading thereto will be borne by Government, but the cost of the service line from the sub-station to your premises will be determined according to clause VI of the IX Schedule to the Indian Electricity Act, 1910.

(3) The supply to your factory will be 400 volts, 3 phase, 50 cycles. The tariff applicable to you will be the tariff made applicable from time to time to all medium pressure installations. No guarantee whatever can be given for any reduction in tariff. Should, however, a separate tariff for supplying energy in bulk be introduced, the benefit thereof will be given to you from the date of the introduction of the tariff without any retrospective effect.

(4) The work will be taken in hand immediately on receipt of the deposit of Rs.15,000/- as per (2) above.

As the commencement of the work depends entirely on receipt of the deposit amount from you, you are requested to make immediate arrangements to deposit the amount as early as possible.

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" True Copy "

Head Clerk to the
Electrical Engineen to Govt.

No. LRM.11/ 8781 of 1952
P.W.D.Offices, Churchgate Street,
Fort, Bombay(1) 8th October 1952.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, Bombay.

Subject:- Complaints about the working of the Hubli Electric Supply Undertaking.

Reference: Government, Public Works Department, Memorandum No.LHB 1852 K, dated the 1st October 1952.

2. It is obvious that the complaint has been launched at the instance of Messrs.Sundatta Cotton-Seed Utilisation, Ltd., who are being given supply through a special high tension line and a sub-station erected just inside their premises. The facts of the case are as under:-

(1) Messrs.Sundatta Cotton-Seed Utilisation, Ltd., approached this office for power with priority, and it was agreed to give them the power as desired by the Development Department and also the late Parliamentary Secretary, Shri Prabhu.

(2) As considerable expense was required to be incurred for a single consumer in the first instance, the power was given under conditions stipulated in this office letter No.LRM.11/13974 dated the 7th March 1952 (copy enclosed).

(3) The consumers originally complained about the high rates, stating that the grid tariff was far more advantageous to the consumer than our tariff at Hubli, and they were therefore informed that the undersigned would be ready to give them the same tariff as the grid.

(4) Subsequently, however, the consumers came back and informed me that the Hubli local tariff was more advantageous to them than the grid tariff, and therefore, they desired to have the same tariff.

(5) No assurance whatever of reduction of rates was given to the consumers - please vide condition (3) of this office letter referred to above.

(6) The consumers are now trying to get back, the sum of Rs.15,000/- paid as deposit, and also desire to have preferential rates based purely on fuel, lubricating oil and other incidental charges, ignoring other charges, which, according to them, should be recovered from the existing consumers - vide their letter No. 579/52 dated the 13th September 1952. Neither of the consumers' requests can be granted, and the undersigned is not in favour of either refunding the deposit amount or to have a special very low rate for a particular, which is bound to raise a storm of protest among the existing consumers.

3. As regards the other complaints regarding delay in giving supply and inadequate development of power, it is observed that most of the complaints have now ceased after the installing of the new sets, and the present position of supply at Hubli is as follows:-

1.	Maximum loading capacity without standby..	1,250 K.W.
2.	Effective capacity with standby ...	750 K.W.
3.	Total consumers connected ...	3,017.
4.	Total connected load ...	2,286 K.W.
5.	Total number of street lights. ...	1,040.
6.	Total load for street lights ...	40 K.W.
7.	Daytime peak load ...	420 K.W.(excluding the additional 100 K.W.expected in the near future from Messrs. Sundatta Cotton-Seed Utilisation, Ltd.).
7.	Evening peak load	550 K.W.

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9. Pending applications:

For lighting	...	...	Nil.
For power	...	...	47.

Every effort is being made to strengthen the substations feeding the different areas, and it will not be long before all the pending applications are complied with. As a matter of fact, even out of the 47 pending applications, several applicants are likely to drop out when the actual time comes for taking the supply.

4. The Government Memorandum referred to above, together with its enclosures, is returned herewith.

Electrical Engineer to Govt.

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The letter No. LRM 11/8781, dt. the 8-10-52 from the C. Engr. is submitted with reference to ~~the~~ G.E. No. LHB 1852 K, dt. the 1-10-52, and the office note dt. the 29-9-52 underlying it.

2. The Elect Engr. has submitted his remarks on the various complaints made by the Karnatak Chamber of Commerce in its letters ~~No.~~ on pages 1- and 7 ante. Its main complaint is...

regarding the high rates charged at Hubli for the supply of power to industrial consumers. It may be stated, however, that the U. Govt. has not furnished information regarding the rates charged at present to the different classes of consumers. It seems desirable that the above information is necessary for a full understanding of the complaint.

3. If the above proposal is approved the draft put up may issue

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Letter.

No: L H B 1852 K.

P.W.D.

B. C. (Bombay No 1),

15 Oct., 52.

To

The Chief Engr to Govt

Subject:- Complaints about the working of the Hubli Electricity Undertaking

Reference: Your letter No. LRM. 11/8701, dt the 8-10-52, ~~from~~ on the subject cited above.

2. Please endorse a copy of the schedule of

of the rates charged at present to the different classes of consumers at Hubli

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D.A.- Nil

By order etc.

A.S. to Govt.

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No. H-6/1002 HUBLI 4th Novr. 1952.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Work's Department, Bombay.

1st Reminder.

Sub:-Supply of electricity at--
Hubli.

Ref:-Your No: LHB1852K of --
22-9-1952.

Sir,

We are desired to invite your kind attention to this office letter No: H-6/871 of 17th September, 1952, and to request you to favour us with an early reply and oblige.

Yours faithfully,
R.V. Kumar
Hony. Secretary.

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Accompaniment to Government Resolution, Public Works Department, No.5660/36, dated the 23rd October 1944.

THE HUBLI ELECTRIC UNDERTAKING.

Electric Supply Tariff.

For General Purposes:-

(a) Lighting and Fans:- 8 annas per unit. A monthly Discount of Re.1/9/- per cent (or a quarter anna per Rupee), subject to a minimum discount of As.2/- per month and other conditions detailed in the annexed schedule for prompt payment of bills.

(b) Domestic Heating, Cooking and Refrigeration:- 4 annas per unit. No discount.

(c) Radios and Battery Charging:- 4 annas per unit. No discount.

N.B.- If there is no special circuit for supply of energy for purposes (b) and (c), the rate shall be as for (a) i.e., lights and fans.

The above rates in (a), (b) and (c) are subject to a monthly minimum charge, exclusive of meter hire, as under:-

Upto 300 watts connected load - Rs.3/- (Three),
For every additional 100 Watts connected load - Re.1/- (One).

(d) Special rate for Cinematographs and Theatres - by special agreement.

For Motive Power purposes:-

(a) Domestic Pumps - Upto and including 3 H.P. per pump Special rate - standing charge of Rs.3/- per month plus annas two and pies nine per unit consumed. No discount.

(b) Industrial and Agricultural and other purposes pumps:- Upto and including 5 B.H.P. per pump - A standing charge of Rs.3/- per month per B.H.P. or part of a B.H.P. connected plus annas two and pies nine per unit consumed. No discount.

(c) Industrial Motive Power Installations: (1) Upto and including 5 B.H.P. - A standing charge of Rs.3/- per month per B.H.P. or part of a B.H.P. connected plus annas two and pies nine per unit consumed. No discount. (2) Above 5 B.H.P. - A standing charge of Rs.3/- per month per B.H.P. or part of a B.H.P. connected plus annas two and pies six per unit consumed. No discount.

Meter Rent:- 8 annas per month per single phase A.C. meter.
1 Rupee per month per poly-phase A.C. Meter.

General:- Consumers for supply of energy will be responsible for any electrical energy consumed on their premises until notice, in writing is received from them requiring the supply to be disconnected, not withstanding that they may in the meantime have ceased to occupy such premises, unless payment for the energy consumed on the premises has been received from a subsequent occupier thereof.

Applicants may be required to make a reasonable deposit

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in cash or Government Securities in respect of electrical energy or of service lines laid. Interest will be paid thereon at a rate equal to the Post Office Savings Bank rate in force from time to time.

Government do not undertake to supply power for motive power purposes at present on account of the deteriorated condition of the Plant.

True Copy,

Head Clerk to Elecl. Engr.

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No.LRM-II/11214 Of 1952.
P.W.D. Offices, Churchgate Street,
Fort, Bombay(1), 8th November 1952

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Bombay.

Subject:- Complaints about the working of the Hubli Electricity Undertaking.

Reference: Government Letter, Public Works Department No.LHB 1852-K, dated the 15th October 1952. P.27

2. A copy of the schedule of the rates charged at present to the different classes of the consumers at Hubli, is enclosed herewith. P.31

Electrical Engineer to Government,

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No. H-6/1000 HUBLI 4th Novr. 19 52.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, Bombay.

1st Reminder.

Sub:-Supply of electricity to the -- B.V.Bhoomaraddi College of -- Engineering & Technology, Hubli.

Ref:-Your No: LHB1852K of 1-10-1952.

Sir,

I am desired to invite your kind and immediate attention to this office letter No. H-6/900 of 23rd September, 1952, and to request you the favour of an early reply.

Yours faithfully,
R. V. Shirur
Hony. Secretary.

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No. H-6/1003 HUBLI 4th Novr. 1952.

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, Bombay.

1st Reminder.

Sub:-Working of the Hubli Power House.

Ref:- Your No: LHB2552K 98 of --- 23-9-1952.

Sir,

I am desired to invite your kind attention to this office letter No: H-6/879 P 7 of 18th/19th September, 1952, and to request you the favour of an early reply.

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Yours faithfully,

R. V. [illegible]

Hony. Secretary.

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No.LRM.11/ 11543 of 1952.
P.W.D. Offices, Churchgate Street,
Fort, Bombay(1), 12th November 1952.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Bombay.

Subject:- Supply of electricity to the Bhoomaraddi College of Engineering and Technology, Hubli.

Reference: Government Public Works Department endorsement No.LHB.1852 K, dated the 9th October 1952. P-17

2. It is true, as stated by the Honorary Secretary, Karnatak Chamber of Commerce that the supply lines have already been laid upto the Commerce College; but in order to extend the supply to the Bhoomaraddi College it will be necessary to erect the overhead line of nearly 2400 feet length upto the municipal boundary and a further line of 2900 feet beyond the municipal limit upto the College premises. Thus the total length of line will be about one mile as stated by the Deputy Engineer, Hubli Power House, Hubli, and the cost of erecting this line will be approximately Rs.15,000/- as already intimated to the College authorities. The contention that the power house is bound to lay the supply line upto the municipal limit is not at all correct, as it is not in consonance with the provision of the Indian Electricity Act 1910, and the Institution will have to bear the entire cost of the line, and Government cannot be made to bear it entirely or

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in part. The Government, if it so desires, may help the institution by the grant of a subsidy to the extent of the cost.

Electrical Engineer to Government.

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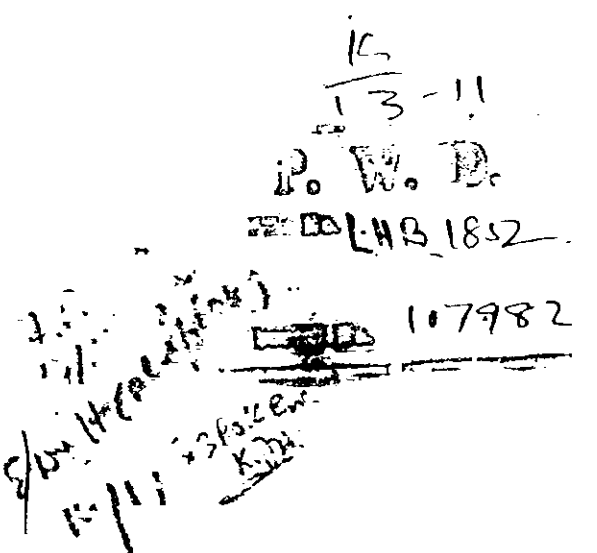

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The 'Karnatak Chamber of Commerce complains against the management of the Hubli Power House, at present run by Govt., and represents as follows:-

A). Though sufficient quantity of Power of about 1,500 K.W. can be generated at Hubli, the actual Peak load conversion is not more than 450 K.W.S. and no steps are taken to facilitate the use of more Power by the Public, Particularly the industrial consumers.

B). The high rates charged to industrial consumers has been discouraging consumers. Govt. should therefore evolve a tariff schedule for the bulk Power industrial users, purely on commercial considerations, so that the consumers shd. not find it uneconomical, ~~and a so that~~ and all the Power that could be generated can be utilised.

C). The B.V. Bhoomaraddi College of Engineering & Technology, Hubli, requires about 40 K.W. of electricity. The Rl. Engr. has asked the college to agree to Pay about Rs. 15,000/- for laying over-head lines, over a length of about one mile for this Purpose. As there are already lines upto the commerce college, ~~the~~ and the Power house is bound to lay lines upto municipal limits, addl. lines will have to be laid for about a furlong. Arrangements shd. therefore be made to supply Power to the college, without demanding Rs. 15,000/-, as the college is not in a financial Position to Pay the same.

2. Regr. (A) above, attention is invited to Para 3 of the Rl. Engr's. letter ~~ante~~ on pp. 23-24 ante, from which it will be seen that the complaints regr. delay in supply of Power and inadequate supply have ceased after the installation of new sets & the

Present position of supply at Hubli seems to be satisfactory.

Reg: (B) above, the rates charged for supply of energy for different purposes at Hubli are given on pp. 31-32 ante. Attention in this connection is invited to para 2 of the El. Engrs. letter on P. 23 ante, from which it seems, that the complaint has been launched at the instance of M/s. Sundatta Cotton-Seed Utilization Ltd., who are being given supply through a high-tension line, and a sub-station erected just inside the premises. These consumers, who first stated that the grid tariff was more advantageous, and subsequently informed the El. Engr: that the Hubli tariff was more advantageous, are now trying to get back the sum of Rs. 15,000/- paid as deposit, and also desire to have preferential ~~base~~ rates based purely on fuel, lubricating oil, and other incidental charges, ignoring other charges, which according to them shd. be recovered from the existing consumers. The El. Engr. is not in favour of either refunding the deposited amount, or to have a special very low rate for a particular consumer, which is bound to raise a storm of protest among the existing consumers vide para 2(b) of the El. Engrs letter on P. 23 ante.

Reg: (C) above, attention is invited to the El. Engr's letter on P. 39 ante, which is self-explanatory. It will be seen therefrom that the Bhoomanddi College will have to bear the entire cost of the line, in accordance with Clauses VI/of the schedule to the I.E. Act, 1910, and Govt. cannot be made to bear the cost entirely or in part. The El. Engr. suggests ~~m~~ that the Govt. may help the institution, if it so desires, by a subsidy to the extent of the cost. This ~~f~~ is for the Education Deptt. to consider & the College may approach that Deptt. direct.

"will be put up if required."

3. The Karnatak Chamber of Commerce has also suggested that pending the establishment of the Elecy. board, the Power House shd. be

transferred to the Rl. Grid Deptt., as it is not run efficiently. In the circumstances stated in the preceding paras, it does not perhaps seem necy. to consider this request The Grid Deptt. is already busy with various Projects

4. The draft P-45 Post put up may issue, if approved

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No: LHB 1852K.

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Be.CB'ling No.1)

3-12-1952.

To

The Hon: Secy.
Karnatak Chamber of Commerce,
Hubli.

Sub:- El. Supply at Hubli.

Sir,

With refce. to the corres. ending with your letter No: H-6/1003, dt. the 4-11-1952, (P-37) on the above subject, I am directed to state, that the various complaints and suggestions made by you reg: the supply of elecy. at Hubli, have since been examined, and I am to observe as follows:-

A). Rates:- The rates at present charged for the supply of energy at Hubli, are considered reasonable. Your request to change low rates to industrial concerns, cannot, it is regretted, be granted, as the levy of a Spl. very low rate for a particular type of consumer is bound to raise a storm a Protest amongst the existing consumers, and may not be economical also.

B). Overhead line to supply energy to the Bhoomaraddi College:- It is true ~~that~~ as stated by you, that the supply lines have been laid upto the commerce College, but in order to extend the supply to the Bhoomaraddi College, it will be necessary to erect the overhead line of nearly 2100 feet length upto the municipal boundary, and a further line of 2900 feet beyond the municipal limit upto the College Premises. The Contention that the Power house is bound to lay the supply line upto the municipal limit is not at all correct, as it is not in consonance with the Provisions of Clauses V & VI of the Schedule to the Indian Electricity Act, 191 ~~and~~ the Institution will have to bear the entire cost of the line, and Govt. cannot, it is regretted

bear it entirely, or in Part. ~~You~~ The Institution, if it so desires, may approach Govt. in the Education Deptt., for the grant of ~~the~~ a subsidy to the extent of the cost of laying down the line.

c) Inadequate supply of Power:- As regards delay in giving supply and inadequate development of Power, it is observed that most of the complaints have now ceased after the installing of the new sets, and the Present Position of Supply at Hubli is Satisfactory. Every effort is being made to strengthen the substations feeding the different areas, and it will not be long before all the pending applications are complied with. Out of the 47 applications pending for Power, ~~it~~ several applications are likely to drop out when the actual time comes for taking the supply. In view of the circumstances ~~as~~ stated above, it is not considered necy. to transfer the Power house to the Grid Deptt.

~~This is in refce. to your letter No: H/1000, dt. 11/1/52 and H/1002, dt. 11/1/1952.~~ Yours faithfully,

A.S. to the Govt. of Bombay,
P.W.D.

DA. Nil

Copy forwarded to -
the El. Engr. to Govt with refce. to the corres. ending with his letter No: LRM.11/11543, dt. the 12-11-1952, the Education Deptt.
for information.

K.SH.
27/11/52

No.LHB 1852 K.

Public Works Department,
Bombay Castle (Bombay No.1),
3rd December 1952.

From

The Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Public Works Department.

To

The Honorary Secretary,
Karnatak Chamber of Commerce,
Hubli.

Subject:- Electric supply at Hubli.

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Sir,-

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No.H-6/1003, dated the 4th November 1952, on the above subject, I am directed to state that the various complaints and suggestions made by you regarding the supply of electricity at Hubli, have since been examined and I am to observe as follows :-

(A) Rates :- The rates at present charged for the supply of energy at Hubli, are considered reasonable. Your request to charge low rates to industrial concerns, cannot, it is regretted, be granted, as the levy of a special very low rate for a particular type of consumer is bound to raise a storm of protest amongst the existing consumers, and may not be economical also.

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Yours faithfully,

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Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Public Works Department.

D.A.- Nil.

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the Electrical Engineer to Government, with reference to the correspondence ending with his letter No:LRM.11/11543, dated the 12th November 1952,
the Education Department,

for information.

ISSUED
Date 4/12/52

Secretariat, Bombay,
23rd May 1952.

My dear Shri Hardikar,

I thank you for your letter dated the 17th May 1952.

I shall look into the matter and write to you in due course.

We have not met for a long time. I hope you are doing well.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Shri N.S.Hardikar,
Indian Women's Aid Society,
Women's Hospital,
Hubli,(Dist.Dharwar).

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INDIAN WOMEN'S AID SOCIETY

(FOUNDED IN 1915)

WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

Rec'd 20/5/52 — No 271 Accd.

Hubli May 17, 1952 :

My Dear Raja Saheb :

Congratulations for again occupying a seat in the Bombay Cabinet. I hope this action of mine is not late.

Just as I am connected with the Hospital and Sanitorium at Hukeri Road, I am connected with the Women's Hospital at Hubli. I am a member on the Governing Councils of both institutions. While I am on their bodies, I feel I must work sincerely and to the best of my abilities for the good of the institutions. But, mere work by persons without power and authoritycan carry us no where. The Government has to come to their aid. Then only, concrete and tangible results could be achieved by those institutions. I am therefore writing this letter to you and seeking your help.

The Women's Hospital in Hubli has recently tremendously grown . During the last 4/5 years the number of operations performed is about a thousand and number of indoor patients has gone above 1300. Our expenditure also is now more than Rs.30000/- whilst our income is not even Rs.25000/-. Thus every year we have to face deficit. We do not know what to do and how to meet the growing expenditure. We desire to cut down the expenditure, if we can. But, that too seems impossible. However, we are trying.

Sec Fary P.W.D. for remarks by 23/5/52

A Our monthly bill for electricity charges comes to about Rs.150/- or Rs.1800/- a year. Five years ago, when the Hubli Power House was in the hands of a private Company, we used to get the current at half of the scheduled rates. Ever since the Power House was taken up by the Government of Bombay, they have made the Women's Hospital pay at the full rate. That has made us suffer. We are now paying about Rs.900/- more than what we would have had to pay at half rate. I would like very much to save this amount and use it for securing equipment and other material for the Hospital which serves a great number of poor and ailing women and children.

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INDIAN WOMEN'S AID SOCIETY

(FOUNDED IN 1915)

WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

Hubli May 17, 1952 :

I want you to help us in this humanitarian work by looking into the matter and affording us what ever relief you can.

If you need any further information about this institution, please do write to me and I will supply the same.

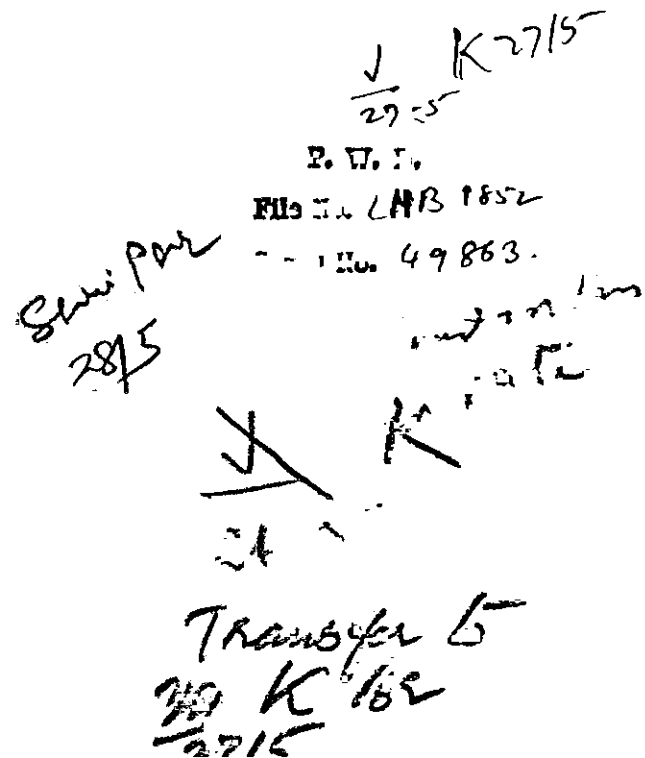
Please do write.

With regards,

your brother :

N. S. Hardikar

N. S. Hardikar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Submitted with a draft ewst. for p.8

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A.A.S.

[Below extract* from the letter, dt. the 17-5-192, from Shri N.S. Hardikar, Indian Women's Aid Society, Women's Hospital, Hubli, addressed to the H.M., P.W.D., regarding Elecy. Charges].

Immediate

No. LHB 1852 K.

P.W.D.
B.C. (Bldgs. No. 1)
29-5-1952.

*Forwarded to the El. Engr. to Govt. for immediate remarks.

*Portion between A & B at p. 3 ante to be typed

By order etc.,

A.S. to Q. of B.
P.W.D.

Issued with acknowledgement
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Submitted with reference to P.8 G.E. dt. 29.5.52

2. The El. Engineer may be addressed as per draft put up for approval.

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IMMEDIATE. -11- LHB/1852.

NO. LHB.1852 K.

P.W.D.
B.E. (B'bay no.1)
July 52.

To

The Electrical Engineer to Govt.

Not to issue

Sub: Electric Charges to Indian women's Aid Society, Hubli.

Ref: G.E.NO. LHB P.B 1852 K dt.29.552

2. Please furnish your remarks in the matter immediately.

By ordr of G.of B.

A.E.

D.A. nil.

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P.W.D.

The card reminder (put up) to the Exl. Engineer may issue under No. LHB.1852 K. dt 11th July 52

Issued 11/7/52 PWD

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No.LRM.11/ 4470 of 1952.
P.W.D.Offices, Churchgate Street,
Fort, Bombay, 1. 11th JULY 1952.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Bombay.

Re :-Electricity charges for Indian Women's Aid Society Hospital, Hubli.

Ref:-Government Endorsement, No.LHB.1852.K dated the 29th May 1952.

According to the sanctioned schedule of rates, electricity is supplied to the above Hospital for lighting purposes at 8 annas per unit. Prior to the taking over of this concern by Government, the Hubli Electricity Company, Limited, used to supply electricity to the above Hospital at Half the schedule rates, i.e. 4 annas per unit, as a special case. This was not, however, in consonance with the general provisions of the I.E. Act, 1910, as it amounted to preferential treatment to a particular consumer, which is strictly prohibited under the Act.

2. In any case the cost of diesel oil, which was Rs.93/7/- per ton in February 1944, has now gone up to Rs.257/6/- per ton, and the generating cost per unit has gone as high as 6.4 annas per unit and it will not therefore be possible to reduce the existing rates of supply for any class of consumers and the Hospital Authorities may be informed accordingly.

Electrical Engineer to Govt.

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K.Br. PWD.

Submitted with reference to the Minister's minute on p. 3 ante.

2/- Shri N. S. Hardikar p135 requests that electric supply given to the Women's Hospital at Hubli shd. be charged at concessional rates. Please see the report p13 submitted by the Elecl. Engr. in the matter. For reasons stated p13 therein the Elecl. Engr. is not in favour of granting concessional rates to the Women's Hospital at Hubli for reasons stated by him. In view of this Shri Hardikar may perhaps be informed that his request cannot be granted by Govt. due to increase in cost of fuel oils.

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Seen P 29/7

KBr. Pwrs

Resubmitted with the necessary draft for approval.

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No. LHB 1952 K

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LHB 1852/65550

PWD

BC. (Bombay No 1)

Dt. 6th August 1952

To

Shri N.S. Havalikar,
Indian Women's Aid Society,
Women's Hospital.
Hubli.

Subject:- Charges for supply of elg. to the Women's Hospital at Hubli

Sir,

HB 3-5

I am directed to refer to your letter No. 271, dated the 17-5-52, addressed to the Minister for Public Works, Bombay, on the above subject and to state that in view of the increase in the cost of diesel oil the generating cost per unit has gone very high. It is therefore not possible to-

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reduce the existing rates of supply of elec. to the Women Hospitals. Your request cannot therefore, it is regretted, be granted.

Yours faithfully,

DA – Nil

AS to Govt, PWD.

Copy forwarded to the Elect. Engr. to Govt. with reference to his letter No. LRM 11/4970, dated the 11-7-52

Issued 7/8/52 pm

4/8/52

INDIAN WOMEN'S AID SOCIETY

(FOUNDED IN 1915)

WOMEN'S HOSPITAL,

Purely Personal OFFICE OF THE ... Hubli September 6, 1952.

16/9/52

My Dear Raja Saheb :

I wrote to you on the 17-th May 1952 and requested you to see that the Women's Hospital in Hubli got 50% concession in their monthly electricity charges that are now being paid to the Hubli Power House which is controlled today by the Government of Bombay.

The other day, when I met you on the 30-th August at your residence, you told me personally that you will look into the matter and try to help me.

When I reached Hubli after my visit to Hukeri Road, I saw the letter addressed to me by the Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bombay, P. W. D., Bombay, No.LHB 1852-K dated 6-th August 1952. For your information I am sending herewith enclosed a copy of the same. Please go through the same and see the reasons given therein for not giving us the small concession that I have requested. I am not asking much. If public hospitals which have to spend annually not less than Rs.30000/- to Rs.35000/- do not get any encouragement from the Government, how are we to run them efficiently and make any progress ?

We are getting only Rs.2900/- by way of Grant every year. We stand upon our own feet for the remaining expenditure. We desire some more help from the Government. Is it not at all possible for you to help an institution of this kind by extending whatever you can possibly give ? I will very much appreciate it if you will please take special personal interest and help in getting the annual electricity charges reduced by at least half. I know if you mean it, you can do it and that is why I am writing this purely personal letter which may not be sent to the Department for reply.

You are coming to Ghataprabha to inspect the left Bank Canal Work of Ghataprabha. When you go there, please do pay a visit to the Sanitorium. Also when you come this side, Dharwar District, please pay a visit to the Women's Hospital, Hubli. See it yourself and do what you can. Please remember that I may or may not be here when you come this side. I may be in Delhi or touring some where in the country. With

regards to Rani Saheb,

your brother :

N.S. Hardikar

P. W. D.

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K Br. P.W.D.

Resubmitted with reference to Minister's minute on page 19 ante.

2. In this connection, attention is kindly invited to the Elect. Engr.'s p. 15. letter No. ∠R.M 11/4470, dt. the 11-7-52, the office note p. 15. dt. the 23-7-52 and ~~the~~ p. 17. Govt. Letter No. ∠HB 1052 K, dt. the 6-8-52, wherein Shri Hardikar's request made in p. 3-c. his letter No. 271, dt. the 17-5-52, was negatived.

24-9-52.

D.S.(I.& E).

Secy.

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M.(P.W.D.)

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See P.W.D. to discuss.

1/10/52

Done. No action. file.

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